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NEWS RELEASE

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Date: August 23, 2005 Time: 4:30 p.m.

Cold Case Arrest

Three local men are in custody charged with Aggravated Rape and Aggravated Burglary following a 1990 crime where 4-males forcible entered an apartment at Himbola Manor and sexually assaulted the female resident. The group left physical evidence at the crime scene but were undetected for 15-years, being their DNA was not in the database. On August 18, 2005 suspect 1 Damien Keith Harmon (30) of 815 Martin Luther King, was arrested after his DNA matched evidence recovered from the crime scene. Investigators were able to obtain Harmon's DNA following his registration as a sex offender in 2004. This arrest led to the identity of suspects 2 Willie John Prejean (31) of 103 Rue Royale, and suspect 3 Kevin Jude Duhon (32) of 419 Hilda Street. The investigation is continuing with the Lafayette Police Department Youth Services Section, anyone with information is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 232-TIPS.